

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the first paragraph of the specification with the following paragraph:

The present application is a national stage application under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT Application Serial No. PCT/EP2004/052739, filed October 29, 2004, and also claims the benefit of priority of German Patent Application No. 103 52 774.5, filed November 11, 2003, both of which are hereby incorporated by reference.